Spoodly Phoenix is February’s Xbox Ambassador of the Month!

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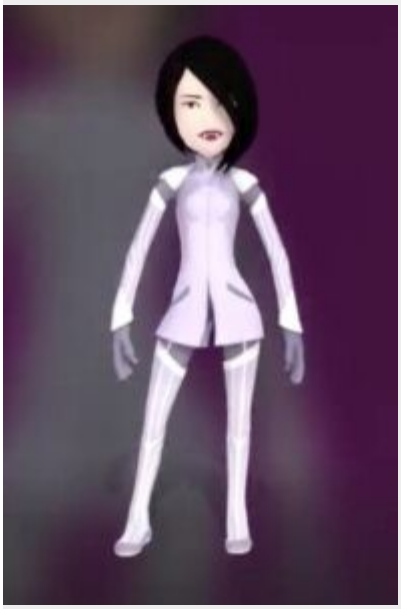
February is here and that means we get to introduce our new Ambassador of the Month and Community Champion, Spoodly Phoenix! She is a positive, welcoming addition and we are so excited for you all to get to know them. Spoodly Phoenix is committed to making sure that everyone feels comfortable in the community and providing a safe space for all gamers. Read through the Q&A to get to know them better!



How did gaming become one of your passions?

For me, it started with the PS2. I fell in love with games such as Jak & Daxter, Ratchet & Clank, Sly Cooper and Dark Cloud 2. My passion grew in 2006 when I joined Xbox with the 360, now being able to fall in love with games such as ESIV: Oblivion and Mass Effect. I also have loved how the achievement and multiplayer systems have continued to evolve and improve!

What's your favorite video game or franchise, and why?

Oh, that's a tough one. My heart will always belong to Elder Scrolls, as that was the very first xbox game I played (360). It was mind blowing to pop that game in and experience such a gorgeous, detailed and rich game after coming from simpler (but still awesome) games on the PS2.

On the other hand, I absolutely adore the Mass Effect franchise. The storyline grabbed me from the beginning, and the games had such rich depth in the overall universe (grabbable index entries). I fell in love with several of our companions in each game and loved the perseverance and grit of Shepard. I am SO excited for ME4, even if it's still a few years in the making.

How long have you been an Xbox Ambassador for, and how did you first hear about the program?

I joined the program in 2019 but didn't become active until March of 2021. I am fairly sure I heard about the program in an email at some point from Xbox.

Do you have a favorite Xbox Ambassadors memory that you'd like to share?

Joining the discord and meeting a group of amazing people. I've become good friends with quite a few Ambassadors, even joining a few private servers in the process.

For you, what's the most important line of the Xbox Ambassador's Pledge and why?

Provide a safe gaming environment that everyone can enjoy. This is so important because I think just about everyone who plays online has experienced toxic gaming/gamers, and it was one of the things that made me stop playing with people I didn't know. Ambassadors are out there fighting back against this toxicity!

What does a healthy community mean to you?

I think a healthy community is one where members can draw from one another. Not only do we hang out, laugh and game together, but provide support. We can play both cooperative and competitive games without the worry that anyone will create a negative environment.

How do you think online communities positively impact the lives of gamers?

I feel like online communities are a great place where people can just be themselves. They lack the societal pressures of looking a certain way (clothes, makeup, etc) and are so much more relaxed. It's also an amazing way to meet and befriend others all over the world from cultures and walks of life that maybe a person wouldn't have met outside of the online world.

What do you like to do outside of gaming?

I like to hang out with friends, build Legos, play my piano/sing, and snuggle with my beautiful cat, JoJo! I'm also currently a grad student, so studying takes up a good amount of time!

As Ambassador of the Month, what message do you have for other members of the Xbox Ambassador’s community?

I am both proud and honored to be a part of this awesome community. Gaming should be fun for everyone, and I think we’re doing a great job at both spreading and living this message! Let’s keep it going, all you amazing people!

Is there anything else you’d like to share with the community as part of your spotlight?

Don’t let one or two bad experiences bring you down or make you shy away from games you enjoy. For every bad time, there will be many good ones. This community rekindled my love for multiplayer gaming, and I couldn’t be happier with the results!